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DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY

DIVISION 246

OREGON STATE AIR TOXICS PROGRAM

340-246-0010

Policy and Purpose

The purpose of Oregon's state air toxics program is to address threats to public health and the environment from toxic air pollutants that remain after implementing the state delegated technology-based strategies of the federal air toxics program. Oregon's program meets the goals of the federal Urban Air Toxics Strategy by using a community-based effort that focuses on geographic areas of concern. It also addresses cases of elevated health risks from unregulated air toxics emissions at stationary sources and source categories of air toxics emissions.

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Definitions

The definitions in OAR 340-200-0020, 340-218-0030, 340-244-0030 and this rule apply to this division. If the same term is defined in this division and elsewhere, the definition in this division applies.

- (1) "Air toxics" means those pollutants known or suspected to cause cancer or other serious health effects, including but not limited to "hazardous air pollutants" or "HAPs" listed by the EPA pursuant to section 112(b) of the Federal Clean Air Act.
- (2) "Ambient benchmark" means the concentration of an air toxic in outdoor air that would result in an excess lifetime cancer risk level of one in a million (1 x 10-6) or a non-cancer hazard quotient of one.
- (3) "Bio-accumulation" means the net accumulation of a substance by an organism as a result of uptake from all routes of exposure (e.g., ingestion of food, intake of drinking water, direct contact, or inhalation).
- (4) "Geographic area" means an area identified by the Department where air toxics concentrations are estimated or measured at levels that exceed ambient benchmark concentrations.
- (5) "Hazard quotient" means the ratio of the potential exposure to a single air toxic to the reference concentration for that pollutant. If the hazard quotient is calculated to be less than or equal to 1, then no adverse health effects are expected as a result of exposure. If the hazard quotient is greater than 1, then adverse health effects are possible.
- (6) "High priority geographic area" means an area identified by the Department where air toxics concentrations are estimated or measured at levels that exceed ambient benchmark concentrations and pose excess cancer risk above ten in a million, or non-cancer risk above a hazard quotient of one with the potential for serious adverse health effects.
- (7) "Public receptor" means any outdoor area where members of the public have unrestricted access, including but not limited to residences, institutions (e.g. schools, hospitals), industrial, commercial, or office buildings, parks, recreational areas, public lands, streets or sidewalks.
- (8) "Reference concentration" means an estimate of a continuous exposure or a daily exposure to the human population (including sensitive populations) that is likely to be without an appreciable risk of adverse non-cancer effects during a lifetime. The reference concentration

can be derived from various types of human or animal data, with uncertainty factors generally applied to reflect limitations of the data used.

- (9) "Sensitive human populations" means humans with increased susceptibility to the adverse effects of air toxics, including humans in prenatal or postnatal periods of development.
- (10) "Source" means:
- (a) An activity conducted by a person at a point, area, on-road mobile, or off-road mobile operation that emits air toxics; or
- (b) Any building, structure, facility, installation or combination thereof that emits or is capable of emitting air contaminants to the atmosphere, is located on one or more contiguous or adjacent properties and is owned or operated by the same person or by persons under common control. The term includes all pollutant emitting activities that belong to a single major industrial group (i.e., that have the same two-digit code) as described in the **Standard Industrial Classification Manual**, (U.S. Office of Management and Budget, 1987) or that support the major industrial group.
- (11) "Source Category" means:
- (a) A source or group of sources that emit air toxics due to the use of the same or similar processes, including commercial, residential, public or private processes, which as a group can reduce air toxics emissions by employing similar control or prevention strategies or;
- (b) All the pollutant emitting activities that belong to the same industrial grouping (i.e., that have the same two-digit code) as described in the **Standard Industrial Classification Manual**, (U.S. Office of Management and Budget, 1987).
- (12) "Toxics Best Available Retrofit Technology", or "TBART" means an air toxics emissions limitation based on the maximum degree of reduction of air toxics, determined on a case-by-case basis, that is feasible taking into consideration:
- (a) What has been achieved in practice for that source category, or for similar processes or emissions:
- (b) Energy and non-air quality health or environmental impacts; and
- (c) Economic impacts, including the costs of changing existing processes or equipment or adding equipment or controls to existing processes and equipment. Such limitation may be based on a design, equipment, work practice or other operational standard, or combination thereof.

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Pollution Prevention

The Environmental Quality Commission encourages the use of pollution prevention for all sources of air toxics statewide. The Commission encourages use of the following hierarchy to reduce air toxics:

- (1) Modify the process, raw materials, or product to reduce the quantity and toxicity of air contaminants generated;
- (2) Capture and reuse air contaminants;
- (3) Treat to reduce the quantity and toxicity of air contaminants released; or
- (4) Otherwise control air toxics emissions.

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Air Toxics Science Advisory Committee

(1) Purpose. The Commission recognizes the many scientific uncertainties associated with the effects of air toxics, and the continuing development of new information in this field. An Air Toxics Science Advisory Committee (ATSAC), will advise the Department, and in its jurisdiction, the Lane Regional Air Pollution Authority, on technical issues and evaluation of the state air toxics program. The ATSAC will provide advice on the technical aspects of risk assessment. It

will not provide risk management or policy recommendations. The ATSAC will perform the following functions:

- (a) Review ambient benchmarks for the state air toxics program;
- (b) Advise the Department on developing a risk assessment methodology to be used in the Safety Net Program in OAR 340-246-0190 (5) and (6);
- (c) Advise the Department on selecting sources for the Safety Net program. The ATSAC will evaluate potential Safety Net sources identified by the Department to determine whether they qualify for the Safety Net Program, as specified in OAR 340-246-0190 through 0230;
- (d) Evaluate overall progress in reducing emissions of and exposure to air toxics by considering trends in emissions and ambient concentrations of air toxics. The ATSAC will periodically advise the Department on air toxics program effectiveness and make technical recommendations for program development concerning the possible adverse environmental effects of air toxics and risk from exposure to multiple air toxics; and
- (e) Provide advisory opinions on questions requiring scientific expertise, as requested by the Department.
- (2) Membership. The ATSAC will be composed of highly qualified members with experience relevant to air toxics. There will be at least five but no more than seven members. The following disciplines will be represented on the ATSAC:
- (a) Toxicology;
- (b) Environmental Science or Environmental Engineering;
- (c) Risk Assessment;
- (d) Epidemiology/Biostatistics;
- (e) Medicine (Physician) with training or experience in Public Health; and
- (f) Air Pollution Modeling, Monitoring, Meteorology or Engineering.
- (3) Appointment. The Department's Air Quality Division Administrator will nominate potential members to the Director. Before making these nominations, the Administrator will develop a list of candidates by consulting with government, public, and private organizations involved in work relevant to air toxics. The Director will appoint ATSAC members with concurrence by the Commission.
- (4) Term. Air Toxics Science Advisory Committee members will serve a three-year term. Initial terms will be staggered for continuity and transfer of work so that members of the first ATSAC may serve more or less than three years.
- (5) Operation.
- (a) No member may have an actual or potential conflict of interest, as those terms are defined by ORS 244.020.
- (b) The ATSAC will meet as necessary.
- (6) Procedures, Bylaws, and Decision-making Process. At a minimum, the ATSAC will observe the procedures specified below. The ATSAC will develop other necessary procedures and bylaws in consultation with the Department.
- (a) Final decisions must be made by a quorum of members, based on consensus when possible. If consensus is not possible, decisions will be made by majority vote with a quorum present.
- (b) If necessary, the Department may obtain a facilitator to assist the ATSAC.
- (c) The bylaws will include provisions for removing a member for cause, with concurrence by the Commission.

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Ambient Benchmarks for Air Toxics

(1) Purpose. Ambient benchmarks are concentrations of air toxics that serve as goals in the Oregon Air Toxics Program. They are based on human health risk and hazard levels considering sensitive populations. Ambient benchmarks are not regulatory standards, but reference values by which air toxics problems can be identified, addressed and evaluated. The Department will use ambient benchmarks as indicated in these rules, to implement the

Geographic, Source Category, and Safety Net Programs. Ambient benchmarks set by the procedures described in this rule apply throughout Oregon, including that area within the jurisdiction of the Lane Regional Air Protection Agency. Ambient benchmarks are subject to public notice and comment before adoption by the Commission as administrative rules.

- (2) Establishing Ambient Benchmarks
- (a) The Department will consult with the ATSAC to prioritize air toxics for ambient benchmark development. Highest priority air toxics are those that pose the greatest risk to public health.
- (b) To prioritize air toxics, the Department will apply the criteria described in OAR 340-246-0090 (2)(c) to modeling, monitoring, and emissions inventory data.
- (c) Ambient benchmark prioritization criteria will include at least the following:
- (A) Toxicity or potency of a pollutant;
- (B) Exposure and number of people at risk;
- (C) Impact on sensitive human populations;
- (D) The number and degree of predicted ambient benchmark exceedances; and
- (E) Potential to cause harm through persistence and bio-accumulation.
- (d) The Department will develop ambient benchmarks for proposal to the ATSAC based upon a protocol that uses reasonable estimates of plausible upper-bound exposures that neither grossly underestimate nor grossly overestimate risks.
- (e) Within three months of the first meeting of the ATSAC, the Department will propose ambient benchmark concentrations for the highest priority air toxics for review by the ATSAC. The Department will propose additional and revised air toxics ambient benchmarks for review by the ATSAC based on the prioritization criteria in OAR 340-246-0090(2)(c). Once the ATSAC has completed review of each set of proposed ambient benchmarks, the Department will, within 60 days, begin the process to propose ambient benchmarks as administrative rules for adoption by the Environmental Quality Commission.
- (f) If the Department is unable to propose ambient benchmarks to the ATSAC by the deadlines specified in OAR 340-246-0090(2)(e), the ATSAC will review the most current EPA ambient benchmarks. If EPA ambient benchmarks are not available, the ATSAC will review the best available information from other states and local air authorities.
- (g) The ATSAC will consider proposed ambient benchmarks and evaluate their adequacy for meeting risk and hazard levels, considering human health, including sensitive human populations, scientific uncertainties, persistence, bio-accumulation, and, to the extent possible, multiple exposure pathways. The ATSAC will conduct this review consistent with the criteria in OAR 340-246-0090(2)(c) and (d). The ATSAC will report these findings to the Department. If the ATSAC unanimously disagrees with the Department's recommendation, the Department will re-consider and re-submit its recommendation at a later date.
- (h) The ATSAC will complete review of and report findings on each set of ambient benchmarks as expeditiously as possible, but no later than 12 months after the Department has proposed them. If the ATSAC is unable to complete review of ambient benchmarks within 12 months after the Department's proposal, the Department will initiate rulemaking to propose ambient benchmarks
- (i) The Department will review all ambient benchmarks at least every five years and, if necessary, propose revised or additional ambient benchmarks to the ATSAC. At its discretion, the Department may review and propose a benchmark for review by the ATSAC at any time when new information is available.
- (3) Ambient Benchmarks. Benchmark concentrations are in units of micrograms of air toxic per cubic meter of ambient air, on an average annual basis. The Chemical Abstract Service Registry Number (CASRN) is shown in parentheses.
- (a) The ambient benchmark for acetaldehyde (75-07-0) is 0.45 micrograms per cubic meter.
- (b) The ambient benchmark for acrolein (107-02-8) is 0.02 micrograms per cubic meter.
- (c) The ambient benchmark for acrylonitrile (107-13-1) is 0.01 micrograms per cubic meter.
- (d) The ambient benchmark for ammonia (7664-41-7) is 200 micrograms per cubic meter.
- (e) The ambient benchmark for arsenic (7440-38-2) is 0.0002 micrograms per cubic meter.
- (f) The ambient benchmark for benzene (71-43-2) is 0.13 micrograms per cubic meter.
- (g) The ambient benchmark for beryllium (7440-41-7) is 0.0004 micrograms per cubic meter.
- (h) The ambient benchmark for 1,3-butadiene (106-99-0) is 0.03 micrograms per cubic meter.

- (i) The ambient benchmark for cadmium and cadmium compounds (7440-43-9) is 0.0006 micrograms per cubic meter.
- (j) The ambient benchmark for carbon disulfide (75-15-0) is 800 micrograms per cubic meter.
- (k) The ambient benchmark for carbon tetrachloride (56-23-5) is 0.07 micrograms per cubic meter.
- (I) The ambient benchmark for chlorine (7782-50-5) is 0.2 micrograms per cubic meter.
- (m) The ambient benchmark for chloroform (67-66-3) is 98 micrograms per cubic meter.
- (n) The ambient benchmark for chromium, hexavalent (18540-29-9) is 0.00008 micrograms per cubic meter.
- (o) The ambient benchmark for cobalt and cobalt compounds (7440-48-4) is 0.1 micrograms per cubic meter.
- (p) The ambient benchmark for 1,4-dichlorobenzene (106-46-7) is 0.09 micrograms per cubic meter.
- (q) The ambient benchmark for 1,3-dichloropropene (542-75-6) is 0.25 micrograms per cubic meter.
- (r) The ambient benchmark for diesel particulate matter (none) is 0.1 micrograms per cubic meter. The benchmark for diesel particulate matter applies only to such material from diesel-fueled internal combustion sources.
- (s) The ambient benchmark for dioxins and furans (1746-01-6) is 0.00000003 micrograms per cubic meter. The benchmark for dioxin is for total chlorinated dioxins and furans expressed as 2,3,7,8-TCDD toxicity equivalents.
- (t) The ambient benchmark for ethyl benzene (100-41-4) is 0.4 micrograms per cubic meter.
- (u) The ambient benchmark for ethylene dibromide (106-93-4) is 0.002 micrograms per cubic meter.
- (v) The ambient benchmark for ethylene dichloride (107-06-2) is 0.04 micrograms per cubic meter
- (w) The ambient benchmark for ethylene oxide (75-21-8) is 0.01 micrograms per cubic meter.
- (x) The ambient benchmark for formaldehyde (50-00-0) is 3 micrograms per cubic meter.
- (y) The ambient benchmark for n-hexane (110-54-3) is 7000 micrograms per cubic meter.
- (z) The ambient benchmark for hydrogen chloride (7647-01-0) is $20\ \text{micrograms}$ per cubic meter.
- (aa) The ambient benchmark for hydrogen cyanide (74-90-8) is 9 micrograms per cubic meter.
- (bb) The ambient benchmark for hydrogen fluoride (7664-39-3) is 14 micrograms per cubic meter.
- (cc) The ambient benchmark for lead and lead compounds (7439-92-1) is 0.15 micrograms per cubic meter.
- (dd) The ambient benchmark for manganese and manganese compounds (7439-96-5) is 0.09 micrograms per cubic meter.
- (ee) The ambient benchmark for elemental mercury (7439-97-6) is 0.3 micrograms per cubic meter.
- (ff) The ambient benchmark for methyl bromide (74-83-9) is 5 micrograms per cubic meter.
- (gg) The ambient benchmark for methyl chloride (74-87-3) is 90 micrograms per cubic meter.
- (hh) The ambient benchmark for methyl chloroform (71-55-6) is 1000 micrograms per cubic meter.
- (ii) The ambient benchmark for methylene chloride (75-09-2) is 2.1 micrograms per cubic meter.
- (jj) The ambient benchmark for naphthalene (91-20-3) is 0.03 micrograms per cubic meter.
- (kk) The ambient benchmark for nickel refinery dust (7440-02-0) is 0.004 micrograms per cubic meter
- (II) The ambient benchmark for nickel subsulfide (12035-72-2) is 0.002 micrograms per cubic meter.

- (mm) The ambient benchmark for soluble nickel compounds (various) is 0.05 micrograms per cubic meter, where soluble nickel compounds may include any or all of the following: nickel acetate (373-02-4), nickel chloride (7718-54-9), nickel carbonate (3333-39-3), nickel carbonyl (13463-39-3), nickel hydroxide (12054-48-7), nickelocene (1271-28-9), and nickel sulfate (7786-81-4).
- (nn) The ambient benchmark for phosphine (7803-51-2) is 0.3 micrograms per cubic meter.
- (oo) The ambient benchmark for phosphoric acid (7664-38-2) is 10 micrograms per cubic meter
- (pp) The ambient benchmark for total (as the sum of congeners) polychlorinated biphenyls (1336-36-3) is 0.01 micrograms per cubic meter.
- (qq) The ambient benchmark for total polycyclic aromatic hydrocarbons (none) is 0.0009 micrograms per cubic meter, where total polycyclic aromatic hydrocarbons are the sum of the toxicity equivalency factor (with respect to benzo(a)pyrene (50-32-8)) adjusted concentrations for all of the following individual polycyclic aromatic hydrocarbons: benzo(a)anthracene (56-55-3), benzo(a)pyrene (50-32-8), benzo(b)fluoranthene (205-99-2), benzo(k)fluoranthene (207-08-9), carbazole (86-74-8), chrysene (218-01-9), dibenz(a,h)acridine (226-36-8), dibenz(a,h) anthracene (226-36-8), dibenz(a,j)acridine (224-42-0), 7H-dibenzo(c,g)carbazole (194-59-2), dibenzo(a,e)pyrene (192-65-4), dibenzo(a,i)pyrene (189-55-9), dibenzo(a,l)pyrene (191-30-0), 7,12-dimethylbenz(a)anthracene (57-97-6), 1,6-dinitropyrene (42397-64-8), 1,8-dinitropyrene (42397-65-9), indeno(1,2,3-c,d)pyrene (193-39-5), 3-methylcholanthrene (56-49-5).5-methylchrysene (3697-24-3), 1-nitropyrene (5522-43-0), 2-nitrofluorene (607-57-8),4-nitropyrene (59865-13-3), 5-nitroacenaphthene (607-87-9) 6-nitrochrysene (7496-02-8), acenaphthene (83-32-9), acenaphthylene (208-96-8), anthracene (120-12-7), benzo(g,h,i) perylene (191-24-2), fluoranthene (206-44-0), fluorene (86-73-7), phenanthrene (85-01-8), and pyrene (129-00-0).
- (rr) The ambient benchmark for tetrachloroethylene (127-18-4) is 35 micrograms per cubic meter.
- (ss) The ambient benchmark for toluene (108-88-3) is 400 micrograms per cubic meter.
- (tt) The ambient benchmark for 2,4- & 2,6 toluene diisocyanate, mixture (26471-62-5) is 0.07 micrograms per cubic meter.
- (uu) The ambient benchmark for trichloroethylene (79-01-6) is 0.5 micrograms per cubic meter.
- (vv) The ambient benchmark for vinyl chloride (75-01-4) is 0.1 micrograms per cubic meter.
- (ww) The ambient benchmark for white phosphorus (7723-14-0) is 0.07 micrograms per cubic meter.
- (xx) The ambient benchmark for xylenes (1330-20-7) is 700 micrograms per cubic meter.
- (yy) The ambient benchmark for hydrogen sulfide (7783-06-4) is 2.0 micrograms per cubic meter.
- (zz) The ambient benchmark for methanol (67-56-1) is 4000 micrograms per cubic meter.

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340-246-0110

Source Category Rules and Strategies

- (1) The Department may identify the need for source category rules and strategies through the following methods:
- (a) The emissions inventory, modeling or monitoring, shows air toxics emissions from point, area, or mobile sources associated with public health risk at public receptors;
- (b) Development of a local air toxics reduction plan provides source category controls that could be effectively applied to sources existing in other parts of the state; or
- (c) When implementing the Safety Net Program, the Department establishes air toxics emissions reductions for a source and determines that there are other similar sources in the state to which the reductions should apply.
- (2) Subject to the requirements in this rule, the Lane Regional Air Pollution Authority is designated by the Commission as the agency responsible for implementing Source Category Rules and Strategies within its area of jurisdiction. The requirements and procedures contained in this rule must be used by the Regional Authority to implement Source Category Rules and

Strategies unless the Regional Authority adopts superseding rules that are at least as restrictive as the rules adopted by the Commission.

- (3) The Department will consider the following criteria in determining whether to propose source category strategies under this division:
- (a) Whether air toxics emissions from the source category are not, or will not, be addressed by other regulations or strategies, including emissions reduction requirements under the Geographic Program (OAR 340-246-0130 through 340-246-0170), or the Safety Net Program (OAR 340-246-0190 through 340-246-0230);
- (b) Whether air toxic emissions from the source category can be effectively reduced through regulations or voluntary strategies; and
- (c) Whether the source category contributes to ambient benchmark exceedances at public receptors statewide, in multiple geographic areas, or in multiple counties

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340-246-0130

Geographic Program (0130 through 0170)

- (1) Purpose. The Geographic Program addresses emissions from multiple sources of air toxics. It requires prioritizing and selecting geographic areas of concern, forming a local advisory committee, developing a specific local plan to control air toxics, a public participation and comment process, EQC adoption or approval, implementing reduction strategies, and periodically evaluating the effectiveness by the Department.
- (2) Subject to the requirements in OAR 340-246-0130 through 0170, the Lane Regional Air Pollution Authority is designated by the Commission as the agency to implement the Geographic Program within its area of jurisdiction. The requirements and procedures contained in this rule shall be used by the Regional Authority to implement the Geographic Program unless the Regional Authority adopts superseding rules which are at least as restrictive as state rules. The Regional Authority will address geographic areas as resources allow, considering the prioritization criteria in 340-246-0150.

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340-246-0150

Prioritizing and Selecting Geographic Areas

- (1) The Department will prioritize geographic areas by considering the total cancer and noncancer risk from air toxics to the population in the area, as indicated by:
- (a) The number and degree of ambient benchmark exceedances;
- (b) The toxicity or potency of air toxics exceeding ambient benchmarks;
- (c) The level of exposure and number of people at risk in areas of concern;
- (d) The presence of sensitive populations;
- (e) The effectiveness of local control strategies; and
- (f) To the extent known, the risk posed by multiple pollutants and pollutant mixtures.
- (2) Not later than 18 months after the first set of benchmarks is adopted, the Department will select the first geographic area for air toxics reduction planning. The Department will base selection on representative monitoring compared to the ambient benchmark concentrations at public receptors. To the extent possible, geographic areas will be identified using monitoring data generated following EPA monitoring guidelines. Subsequent geographic areas will be selected after completion of monitoring. A geographic area is formally selected upon publication of a notice in the Oregon Secretary of State's Bulletin. Once an area is selected for air toxics reduction planning, it will retain the status of a selected geographic area until the Department determines through an evaluation of data that a reduction plan is no longer necessary for the area to meet all air toxics ambient benchmarks.
- (3) The Department will first select for emissions reduction planning the high priority geographic areas, where concentrations of air toxics are more than ten times above the ambient benchmarks or above a hazard quotient of one with the potential for serious adverse health effects. The Department will select all other geographic areas, where air toxics concentrations are above benchmarks, after air toxics emissions reduction plans have been approved for the high priority geographic areas.

- (4) Geographic Area Boundaries. The Department will establish general geographic area boundaries on a neighborhood or urban area scale. The Department will consider feasibility of administration when setting the boundaries of a geographic area. In setting geographic area boundaries, the Department will consider criteria including but not limited to the following:
- (a) Areas of impact (where people are exposed);
- (b) Population density;
- (c) Areas of influence (where sources are located);
- (d) Meteorology;
- (e) Geography and topography;
- (f) Including all air toxics exceeding ambient benchmarks; and
- (g) Coordination with criteria pollutant boundaries for attainment of the National Ambient Air Quality Standards (NAAQS).

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Local Air Toxics Emissions Reduction Planning

- (1) The Department will develop air toxics reduction plans for selected geographic areas with the advice of local advisory committees. The main role of a local advisory committee is to consider air toxics reduction options and to recommend a specific air toxics reduction plan for their geographic area. The Director will appoint a local air toxics advisory committee.
- (a) Local advisory committees will generally be composed of a balanced representation of members from affected local government, local health departments, the public, small businesses (50 or fewer employees), larger businesses (if present in the area), and interest groups represented in the area.
- (2) Local Advisory Committee Tasks.
- (a) Within 18 months of their first meeting, the committee will evaluate options for reducing emissions of air toxics that exceed ambient benchmarks, and recommend a local air toxics reduction plan to the Department.
- (b) The Department may grant an extension of time to the local committee if requested by the committee, if the Department believes the extension is technically justified and the committee is making reasonable progress in developing a local air toxics reduction plan.
- (c) If the committee is unable to recommend a local air toxics reduction plan to the Department within 18 months, or the date of an extension, the Department will formulate a plan for the area within six months.
- (d) The Department and the local advisory committee will seek local government support for the proposed local air toxics emissions reduction plan.
- (e) The local advisory committee will evaluate the plan's effectiveness as it is implemented and recommend changes to the Department.
- (f) At the Department's request, the local advisory committee will reconvene to implement contingency planning and recommend contingency measures as specified by OAR 340-246-0170(4)(I).
- (g) If the committee is unable to recommend contingency measures within 18 months, the Department will formulate contingency measures for the area within 6 months.
- (3) Public Notice, Comment, Approval and Adoption by the Environmental Quality Commission. The Department will provide an opportunity for public notice and comment on proposed local emissions reduction plans. After the public notice and comment process is complete, the Department will present local air toxics reduction plans to the Commission for approval, including adoption of appropriate administrative rules. The Environmental Quality Commission may delegate the approval of plans that do not contain administrative rules to the Director of the Department.
- (4) Elements of an Air Toxics Reduction Plan:
- (a) Local air toxics reduction plans must focus on the air toxic or air toxics measured or modeled above the ambient benchmarks.
- (b) Local air toxics reduction plans must be based on sound data analysis. This includes developing enhanced emissions inventory information for the local area using source-specific

information to the extent possible. This may also include enhanced modeling and monitoring to better characterize ambient concentrations. Plans also must rely on sound analysis of the effectiveness and cost of air toxics emissions reduction options. Where needed to fill specific information gaps, the Department may require air toxics emissions reporting for specific sources or source categories within the geographic area on a case-by-case basis.

- (c) The emissions reduction goals for individual air toxics are ambient benchmarks in local air toxics reduction plans.
- (d) Local air toxics reduction plans must be designed to reduce air toxics emissions in a timely manner.
- (A) When feasible, local air toxics reduction plans will be designed to reach levels that are equal to or below ambient benchmark concentrations. Plans will be designed to achieve emissions reductions within ten years, beginning at the date the Commission approves the plan. Local plans must provide for the timeliest reductions possible for each air toxic exceeding ambient benchmarks.
- (B) Local air toxics reduction plans must include specific three-year milestones that the Department and the local advisory committee will evaluate every three years, in coordination with the Department's air toxics emissions inventory update.
- (e) Every three years, the Department will assess the effectiveness of local plans and make recommendations for plan revision based on progress meeting milestones or new information. If the Department finds lack of progress at year three, it will work with the local advisory committee to provide corrective measures. If the Department finds lack of progress at year six and projects that ten-year goals in OAR 340-246-0170(4)(d)(A) will not be met, it will implement the contingency plan in 340-246-0170(4)(I). If at year nine the Department projects that ten year goals in 340-246-0170(4)(d)(A) will not be met, it will work with the local advisory committee to propose and seek adoption of measures necessary to reach these goals.
- (f) Local air toxics reduction plans must evaluate air toxics emissions from all types of sources, including point, area, and mobile sources. Plans must require emissions reductions from the most significant sources of air toxics. Mandatory emissions reduction strategies will be commensurate with source contributions, considering relative emissions, toxicity, technical feasibility, cost-effectiveness and equity.
- (g) Local air toxics reduction plans must include strategies to reduce high concentrations of air toxics that are limited to smaller portions of a geographic area as well as pollutants causing public health risk throughout the area.
- (h) Local air toxics reduction plans may include a variety of mandatory and voluntary approaches to reducing emissions of air toxics. Depending on the type of source, local air toxics reduction plans may include public education, pollution prevention alternatives, economic incentives and disincentives, technical assistance and regulatory requirements.
- (i) The Department will ensure the opportunity for public involvement during the plan development process. This includes involving those affected by the air toxics emissions and those affected by the proposals to reduce air toxics emissions. Proposed local air toxics reduction plans must be available for public hearing and comment.
- (j) Local air toxics reduction plans must be coordinated with other local, state, and federal requirements to the extent possible. This includes considerations of any ozone or particulate control requirements for the area, any federal standard applicable to sources in the area, any strategies that are federally pre-empted, and any impacts on water or land, such as water pollution or hazardous waste.
- (k) Local air toxics reduction plans will include specific recommendations for developing ongoing emissions inventory or ambient air monitoring to track local trends in air toxics.
- (I) Local air toxics reduction plans must include a contingency plan that will be implemented if evaluation at year six shows that an area is not meeting milestones and will not achieve the ten year goals established under OAR 340-246-0170(4)(d)(A). The contingency plan, like the original plan, must require emissions reductions from the most significant sources of air toxics. Mandatory emissions reduction strategies will be commensurate with source contributions, considering relative emissions, toxicity, technical feasibility cost-effectiveness and equity. Contingency plans must include but are not limited to:
- (i) Re-evaluation of planning assumptions, such as emissions factors, motor vehicle data and background pollutants;
- (ii) Evaluation of existing conditions and effectiveness of emissions reduction strategies, including reasons for success or failure; and
- (iii) New or progressively more mandatory strategies that will be considered.

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Air Toxics Safety Net Program (0190 through 0230)

- (1) The purpose of the Air Toxics Safety Net Program is to address human exposures at public receptors to air toxics emissions from stationary sources that are not addressed by other regulatory programs or the Geographic Program. It is the Commission's expectation that the Safety Net Program in OAR 340-246-0190 through 340-246-0230 will apply only rarely.
- (2) Subject to the requirements contained in OAR 340-246-0190 through 340-246-0230, the Lane Regional Air Pollution Authority is designated by the Commission as the agency responsible for implementing the Air Toxics Safety Net Program within its area of jurisdiction. The requirements and procedures contained in this rule must be used by the Regional Authority to implement the Air Toxics Safety Net Program unless the Regional Authority adopts superseding rules, which are at least as restrictive as the rules adopted by the Commission.
- (3) Selection of Sources. The Department will select a source for the Air Toxics Safety Net Program if all of the following criteria are met:
- (a) The Department has ambient monitoring information, gathered using appropriate EPA or other published international, national, or state standard methods that concentrations of air toxics have caused an exceedance of at least one ambient benchmark at a site representing expected human exposure to air toxics from the source at a public receptor in a location outside of the source's ownership or control.
- (b) The Department has information that the source's air toxics emissions alone have caused an exceedance of at least one ambient benchmark at a site representing expected human exposure to air toxics from the source at a public receptor, in a location outside of the source's ownership or control. This could be based on emissions inventory, modeling or other information.
- (c) The source is not subject to or scheduled for a federal residual risk assessment under the federal Clean Air Act section 112(f)(2) through (6).
- (d) The source is not subject to an emissions limit or control requirement imposed as the result of modeling or a risk assessment performed or required by the Department prior to November 1, 2003 for the air toxics that exceed the ambient benchmarks.
- (e) The source is located outside of a selected geographic area, as designated in OAR 340-246-0130 through 0170.
- (4) Air Toxics Science Advisory Committee Review. Before requiring a source to conduct a source-specific risk assessment, the Department will present its analysis to the ATSAC. Within 120 days, the ATSAC will review the analysis and make a finding. If the ATSAC concurs with the Department or takes no action, the Department may proceed pursuant to this rule. If the ATSAC objects, the Department will not proceed until it receives concurrence from the
- (5) Source-Specific Exposure Modeling and Risk Assessment. Upon written notification by the Department, a source must conduct a risk assessment including exposure modeling for the air toxics measured at levels above ambient benchmarks. The source must use a risk assessment methodology provided by the Department. This risk assessment will provide the basis for establishing air toxics emissions reductions or demonstrating that at public receptors in areas outside of a source's ownership or control, people are not being exposed to air toxics at levels that exceed the ambient benchmarks.
- (6) Risk Assessment Methodology The Department will provide guidance on the methods to be used. The risk assessment methodology will be developed in consultation with the ATSAC and will result in a protocol that:
- (a) Uses reasonable estimates of plausible upper-bound exposures that neither grossly underestimate nor grossly overestimate risks;
- (b) Considers the range of probabilities of risks actually occurring, the range of size of the populations likely to be exposed to the risk, and current and reasonably likely future land uses;
- (c) Defines the use of high-end and central-tendency exposure cases and assumptions;
- (d) Develops values associated with chronic exposure for carcinogens; and
- (e) Addresses both carcinogenic and non-carcinogenic air toxics and allows for detailed exposure assessments to the extent possible.
- (7) Review and Acceptance by the Department The Department will evaluate the risk assessment for adequacy and completeness before accepting the results. If the results demonstrate that the source is not causing human exposures to air toxics at levels that exceed the ambient benchmarks at public receptors, in areas outside the source's ownership or control, and the Department has received concurrence from the ATSAC, the Department will notify the source that air toxics emissions reductions will not be required pursuant to this rule.

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Safety Net Source Air Toxics Emissions Reductions

(1) Air Toxics Emissions Reduction Analysis:

- (a) If source-specific exposure modeling and risk assessment show that the source is causing exceedances of ambient benchmarks at public receptors in areas outside the source's ownership or control, the source must perform an analysis showing how air toxics could be reduced to meet ambient benchmarks. The Department and the safety net source will develop proposed air toxics emissions reduction measures based on modeling and, when available, monitoring information.
- (b) As part of the air toxics emissions reduction analysis, the source will analyze pollution prevention options, and is encouraged to use the hierarchy stated in OAR 340-246-0050.
- (2) Air Toxics Emissions Reduction Requirements:
- (a) A safety net source emitting air toxics causing exposure resulting in excess lifetime cancer risk greater than one in a million (1x10-6) or a hazard quotient of one for non-carcinogens must, as soon as practicable but no later than three years after the effective date of the permit imposing such conditions, meet toxics best available retrofit technology (TBART) for each air toxic that exceeds an ambient benchmark.
- (b) A safety net source may use a means of air toxics reduction, other than TBART, if it can demonstrate to the Department that it will achieve a risk level at or below one in a million, or a hazard quotient at or below one, within three years of using the other means of air toxics emissions reductions.
- (c) A safety net source emitting a carcinogenic air toxic causing excess lifetime cancer risk at or above one hundred in a million (1x10-4) must reduce its air toxic emissions to achieve a risk level below one hundred in a million as soon practicable but no later than one year after the effective date of the permit imposing such conditions.
- (d) A safety net source emitting a non-carcinogenic air toxic at a level above a hazard quotient of one that the Department finds to have a potential for causing very serious or irreversible adverse health effects must reduce its air toxic emissions below this level as soon practicable, but no later than one year after the effective date of the permit imposing such conditions.
- (3) If a safety net source cannot reach a risk level at or below excess lifetime cancer risk of one in a million, or a hazard quotient at or below one in three years, even though it meets TBART, the TBART determination for the source will be subject to periodic review under this section until the source achieves a risk level at or below one in a million or a hazard quotient at or below one. Upon each renewal of the source's permit, TBART for the source must be reviewed, taking into consideration retrofit costs and the remaining useful life of controls installed or other measures taken to meet a prior TBART determination. Upon renewal of the source's permit, the Department must include conditions requiring the source to meet TBART as determined for that permit renewal.

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Safety Net Source Air Toxics Emissions Reduction Measures in Permit

- (1) Public Participation. DEQ will hold public informational meetings to discuss proposed air toxics emissions reduction measures. After the informational meetings, DEQ will provide at least 40-days notice before holding a public hearing to collect official comments on the proposed air toxics emissions reduction measures.
- (2) Permit or Permit Modification. After considering public comments, DEQ will propose air toxics emissions reduction measures to be placed in the source's permit, according to the reopening process for Oregon Title V permits in OAR 340-218-0200 or Oregon Title V Permit issuance in 340-218-0120 or Department Initiated Permit Modifications in 340-216-0084 or Air Contaminant Discharge Permit issuance in 340-216-0066.

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